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Especially for the Basin Precinct in District One

## Coffee County needs election poll workers

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The 2022 Primary Elections are set for Tuesday, May 24, and Coffee County needs poll workers, especially for the Basin precinct in District One.

"We have 28 precincts, and we will accept any applications for poll workers," said Missy Craig, chief clerk for the Coffee County Probate Office [Elba Division]. "But, we are in real need for workers at the Basin precinct."

For voter registration, Coffee County will be utilizing Polling Pads (an iPad) this election cycle, thanks to a vote Monday, Feb. 28, of the Coffee County Commission to approve purchase of the Polling Pads. While this should make the voting process more efficient, Craig said poll workers that would be comfortable using a tablet would definitely be a plus.

To be a poll worker in Coffee County, interested persons should be a registered voter in Coffee County and be able to report to the precinct on or by 6:30 a.m. on election day. Poll workers also need to be available for mandatory training.

"We prefer and attempt to place poll workers at the precinct they vote, but we may have to ask them to work at a different location if needed," Craig said.

Essential job functions include:

- Setting up election equipment inside a designated polling location
- Preparing election equipment as instructed in training sessions
- Maintaining election equipment security throughout the election period
- Thoroughly reviewing and completing all election forms
- Posting prescribed election materials inside and outside of polling location
- Qualifying voters through use of identification and poll lists
- Selecting the correct ballot styles for each voter
- Assisting voters during the voting process by explaining equipment usage
- Closing the polling location at the end of the voting period

### Other job functions may include:

- Attending mandatory training as needed
- Returning all designated election supplies to the drop off location on Election Day

2022 Election dates include: Primary Election on May 24, 2022; Primary Run Off Election on June 21, 2022; and the General Election on November 8, 2022.

Anyone interested in being a poll worker in Coffee County is asked to contact Judge Jodee R. Thompson or Missy Craig @ 897-2211, Option 3.

## Elba leaders stick with two-way traffic around square

The Elba City Council met Monday night, Feb. 28, and the streets around the courthouse square in downtown Elba were discussed long enough for the mayor and council members to agree the flow of traffic on these roads should be left "as is" currently.

Council member Gappa Wise said he agreed with leaving the roads alone and maintaining two-way traffic. He added, however, that he had received lots of feedback from the community on the matter, and he was

General admission tickets on sale now at gofan.com

## Professional wrestling coming to Elba on March 18th

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Live action wrestling is coming to Elba High School this month with professional contract wrestlers delivering the entertainment.

Elba High School, along with TNA Impact Wrestling, are bringing the sport to the Elba High School gymnasium for a community event Friday evening, March 18, at 7:30 p.m.

"These are all contract wrestlers through the WWE," event organizer Al Gilmore said. "This is basically a minor league farm system for professional wrestlers. They are all 'under contract' wrestlers working their way up to 'prime time' or returning from an injury."

He said Rumble on the

River will be a four-match event, including a special Luchador match featuring Luchador Champion Antonio Garza vs. The Soul Sensation Amari Harper, an Intercontinental Championship Match featuring Action Mike Jackson vs. Christian Pierce, a U.S. Heavyweight Title Match featuring Johnny Swinger vs. The Wrestling Superstar, and the Main Event – a \$1,000 Royal Rumble (winner take all).

"This is a legit wrestling event," Gilmore said. "It will be 100 percent family-friendly, just like you see on television."

During the school day

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NEWLY CROWNED ELBA QUEENS ATTEND CITY COUNCIL MEETING...

The newly crowned 2022 Miss Elba Queens were special guests Monday evening, Feb. 28, for the Elba City Council meeting. Seven young ladies received the title as a "Miss Elba" queen in her respective category last Saturday night, Feb. 26, during the Miss Elba Pageants. On Monday evening, the new queens were introduced to the Elba City Council, and Mayor Tom Maddox presented each with a City of Elba pin. The queens are pictured above with the mayor and council. Those pictured are: (front row) Future Little Miss Elba Kayleigh Smith, Little Miss Elba Bella Bane, and Petite Miss Elba Piper Astemborski; (middle row) Junior Miss Elba Destinee Tidwell, Miss Elba Zalie McElvay, Elba Mayor Tom Maddox, Teen Miss Elba Taylor Day, and Young Miss Elba Kayden Moseley; (back row) District One council member Johnathan Lockett, District Two council member Gappa Wise, Elba City Clerk Sally Bane, District Three council member Jane Brunson, District Four council member Bryan Grimes, and District Five council member A.R. Williams.

## Local school systems receive funds from Southeast Alabama Gas

Southeast Gas recently announced its 2022 Give Back to Schools contribution of \$148,000 to 20 public school systems in Alabama.

Coffee County Schools received \$2,366 this year and Elba City Schools received \$1,791.



Presenting a check in the amount of \$1,791 to Elba City Schools superintendent Chris Moseley (center) is SE Gas board member Gappa Wise (left). Also pictured is Mitch Thorn, SE Gas marketing/communications coordinator.



Presenting a check in the amount of \$2,366 to Coffee County Schools are SE Gas marketing/communications coordinator Mitch Thorn and SE Gas board member Gappa Wise (left). Accepting on behalf of the school system are New Brockton band director Ryan Gresko, NB principal Alonzo Barkley, and Coffee County Schools superintendent Kelly Cobb.

## Area Happenings

THE ELBA LIONS CLUB will host its annual Pancake Breakfast fundraiser Saturday, March 5, from 6-10 a.m., at the National Security Group Conference Center. A donation of \$5 per plate is requested. Dine-in or takeout.

THE COFFEE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT will hold its monthly board meeting Tuesday, March 15, at the Coffee County Extension Office, 1055 E. McKinnon Street, New Brockton, AL. The meeting will start at 9 a.m. Space is limited to the number of people that can be in the room; therefore, those planning to attend should call 334-894-5581, ext. 3.

THE FOGGY BOTTOM CRUISIN' 2022 CAR SHOW will be Saturday, March 19, on the square in downtown Elba. Presented by the Foggy Bottom Cruisers, the show will have cars and trucks of all makes and models. There also will be arts and crafts and food vendors located around the square. The car show will be from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m., and admission is free to the public. Car registration is from 8-10 a.m. with proceeds being donated to the Elba Chamber of Commerce.

spent," said Southeast Gas Board Chair and Dothan Mayor Mark Saliba. "Public educators bear an incredible responsibility – to teach, shape, and mold our children. Through the Give Back to Schools program, we are able to express in a tangible way our company's continued gratitude to our public schools."

Southeast Gas President and CEO Greg Henderson views the company's Give Back to Schools initiative as one way to build better communities.

"Service comes in many different ways – last summer our employees had an opportunity to work alongside an underserved school in one of our communities, and we literally had boots on the ground investing in the future of that school and its community," he said. "Today, we're investing financially in multiple school systems – including that one – in hopes that our gift will make a small difference in our region."

Local schools are a critical component to community success. Southeast Gas also sponsors the Southeast Gas Community Service Scholarship, a competitive scholarship program for high school seniors attending public schools currently served by Southeast Gas. The scholarships are \$1,500, and multiple scholarships are awarded each year. New Brockton High School student Suzie Strick-

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CELEBRATING DR. SEUSS...The Elba Public Library was filled with Dr. Seuss book characters Thursday afternoon, Feb. 24, as the weekly Children's Storytime featured readings and activities in honor of Dr. Seuss and Read Across America Week, being celebrated across the nation this week. Above, Elba library director Jennifer Amlong, dressed as the Cat in the Hat, reads to a group of youngsters before they enjoy activity time.

## EDITORIAL

### BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

*"Let us not use bombs and guns to overcome the world. Let us use love and compassion"* — Mother Teresa

We all know inflation is jacking up prices across the board but a recent comment from the CEO of Colgate-Palmolive at a meeting of business folks hinted that \$10 tubes of toothpaste are coming! Of course, expect these tubes to have a slightly different design and be pushed with words something like "new and improved."

Fat Tuesday is the official opening of Mardi Gras and is also the start of religious observance of Lent. It is the time to eat up the leftovers in the refrigerator, etc., going into Lent season. If many groups carry out a tradition of feeding the community loads of pancakes each year on Fat Tuesday, as does ours, the name "Fat" will take on a meaning not related to Mardi Gras, religion or anything but our waistlines!

Presently our late-night reading is a book about James Madison. Frankly our limited knowledge of this former president was that he was the husband of Dolley Madison. She was probably one of the most loved, if not THE most loved First Lady. And yes, that is what inspired the sweet cookies and buns to be marketed under the Dolly Madison label. Back to the former president . . . it is amazing that even back in his day the political battles were often motivated by personal pride and/or greed. Also some politicians would go to great lengths — maybe some of them not-so-nice — to get their way. There is clearly nothing new under the sun!

The war in Ukraine is going full blast, reportedly with the Russians facing more resistance than they expected. However, that does not mean Russia is defeated. They have many more troops and weapons than their smaller neighbor, plus a big pile of nuclear weapons! Will their leaders chance a world war with billions killed, just to say the survivors 'won'? Or would there be any winners from such a destructive military exchange? We once heard a military expert comment that in a major nuclear war it would be the survivors who were the losers. He was referring to the misery those survivors would experience just trying to live without food and likely suffering from nuclear burns all through their bodies.

Disinformation and 'fake news' are not unique to the US. A group of factfinders all across the globe have united to weed out untrue articles on social media. In the last four days the new <#UkraineFacts> database of fact checks has marked over 400 different social media tidbits as misleading or fake news. Plus their list continues to grow.

Elba City council members got the message from local citizens on the idea of making streets around the courthouse square one-way routes. It was announced at the Monday night council meeting that it was a 'dead issue' due to public opposition. This is an example of how a Democracy does (and should) work. It also demonstrates the advantage of a government 'of the people by the people, for the people'. We concede that such a traffic pattern may have had an advantage during the years when all the buildings around the square were occupied and, court was in session, etc., and folks were constantly grumbling to city officials about problems finding a parking place. That is a rarity in today's world.

Be safe, wear your mask when appropriate, social distance, wash your hands AND get the shot(s) and/or booster!

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### TNA

that Friday, Gilmore said the wrestlers also would deliver an approximate 45-minute drug prevention program to students along with an in-school match. He said Elba students would be joined by students from Zion Chapel for this program.

"Zion Chapel is actually going to bus their students over," he said. "They reached out to us and wanted to participate."

From 3:30 – 5:30 p.m. that afternoon, Gilmore said the wrestlers would be at Cook Chevrolet in Elba for an autograph signing and meet and greet event. He encouraged anyone wanting an autograph or to meet the wrestlers to come out to Cook Chevrolet during that two-hour timeframe, where a tent would be set up on the

Cook Chevrolet lot. Tickets for the night-time main event are on sale now! Gilmore said general admission tickets (\$10 each) can be purchased at gofan.com [search Rumble on the River 2022]. There is no assigned seating.

Also, he said about 90 ringside seats would be available for \$20 each. These are first come, first serve with not assigned seating. Anyone interested in purchasing a ringside seat should call Elba High School at (334)897-2266.

There will be concessions available during the event also, including hamburgers, hot dogs, nachos, popcorn, candy, and Pepsi products.

Some tickets will be available for purchase the night of the event, Gilmore

said; however, he said it is

possible the ringside tick-

ets could sell out prior to

the event date since those

are first come, first serve.

Doors should open around

6:30 p.m. at the Elba High

School gym on March 18<sup>th</sup>,

744-5555 or call Elba High

School and wrestling begins at 7:30

p.m.

All proceeds from this

event will benefit the Elba

High School football pro-

gram.

For more information,

contact Al Gilmore at (334)

744-5555 or call Elba High

School.

### Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, between Tuesday, February 22, 2022, and Monday, February 28, 2022, conducted the following activity:

**Tuesday, Feb. 22** — Animal complaint on Hwy 84 (12:29 a.m.); High speed vehicle pursuit on County Rd 437 — an arrest was made (1:07 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 1698 Hickman Ave (2:08 a.m.); Identity theft reported at 1715 Martin Luther King Dr (12:08 p.m.); Traffic accident reported at 14325 Hwy 84 (3:50 p.m.); Criminal mischief reported at 624 Lee St (5:03 p.m.). There were six traffic stops resulting in two written warnings, one verbal warning, one citation, and one assist another agency.

**Tuesday, Feb. 22** — Theft of services reported at 426 Williams Ave (7:16 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1104 Caroline St (2:32 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 221 County Rd 342 (7:43 p.m.). There were 13 traffic stops resulting in seven verbal warnings, one arrest, four citations, and one written warning.

**Tuesday, Feb. 22** — Suspicious person reported on E Davis St (12:25 a.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 87 — a verbal warning was issued (11:04 a.m.); Shoplifter reported at 342 N Court Ave (4:16 p.m.); Harassing communications reported at 11201 Hwy 189 (9:06 p.m.); Theft of property reported Elba Police (9:17 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 1770 Hickman Ave (9:37 p.m.); Report of shots fired on Virgil Coleman Dr (9:54 p.m.). There were seven traffic stops resulting in three verbal warnings, two citations, one assist another agency, and one arrest.

**Wednesday, Feb. 23** — Harassment reported at 827 Washington Ave (8:32 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 1217 Farris Ave (8:54 a.m.); Harassing communications reported at 1623 Caroline St (10:38 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1130 Hickman Ave (10:58 a.m.); Theft of

property reported at 990 Hwy 203 (2:24 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 667 Reynolds Ave (8:02 p.m.). There were eight traffic stops resulting in two arrests, three citations, two verbal warnings, and one unfounded.

**Friday, Feb. 25** — Suspicious circumstances reported at 1525 Edgewood Dr (12:09 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at Hwy 87/Hwy 84 (1:05 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1265 Highland Dr (12:32 p.m.); Animal complaint reported on Cedar Lane Dr (12:34 p.m.); Traffic accident reported at 381 Tiger Dr (7:50 p.m.). There were four traffic stops on this date resulting in one investigative stop, one report, and two verbal warnings.

**Saturday, Feb. 26** — Suspicious person reported on E Davis St (7:16 a.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 87 — a verbal warning was issued (11:04 a.m.); Shoplifter reported at 342 N Court Ave (4:16 p.m.); Harassing communications reported at 11201 Hwy 189 (9:06 p.m.); Theft of property reported Elba Police (9:17 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 1770 Hickman Ave (9:37 p.m.); Report of

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**Sunday, Feb. 27** — Suspicious person reported at 154 Yelverton Ave (12:43 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at 997 Winston Ave (7:16 a.m.); Suspicious person reported on Taylor Mill Rd (10:08 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported on E Davis St (1:37 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 2680 Taylor Mill Rd (4:44 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 329 Sollie Dr (5:53 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at Reese Ave and Guyton St (6:40 p.m.). There were five traffic stops recorded with three verbal warnings, one written warning, and one citation.

**Monday, Feb. 28** — Animal complaint reported at 402 Collier St (8:31 a.m.); Assault reported at 220 County Rd 401 (1:35 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 2695 Marilyn St (3:15 p.m.); Burglary reported at 638 Claxton Ave N (7:20 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 1619 Caroline St (7:24 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 87 (8:20 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 300 Champ McCollough Dr (8:56 p.m.). There was one traffic stop with a verbal warning.

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land and Elba High School student Michaela Moseley were among the 23 recipients of the 2021 Community Service Scholarship.

Applications for the 2022 scholarship are available online at the company's website ([southeastgas.com](http://southeastgas.com)) and are due by March 11, 2022. Scholarship recipients are announced April 8, and recognized at a luncheon hosted by Southeast Gas on April 26.

School systems impacted by the Southeast Gas Give Back to Schools initiative are: Andalusia, Butler County, Coffee County, Crenshaw County, Dale County, Dothan City, Elba City, Enterprise City, Eufaula City, Henry County, Houston County, Lowndes County, Opp City, Ozark City, Pike County, Pike Road, Russell County and Troy City.

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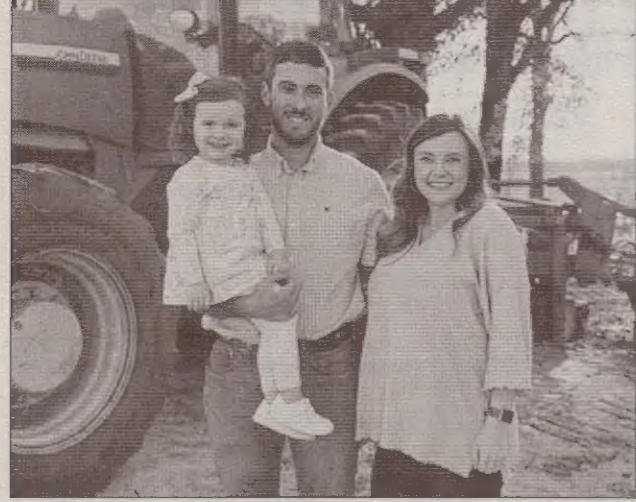
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**Jonathan and Sara Sanders of Coffee County will serve on the American Farm Bureau Federation Young Farmers and Ranchers Committee for 2022-2024.** The couple has a daughter, Ivey, and are expecting another daughter, Elliott, in March.

## Coffee County Young Farmers chosen for national committee

by Marlee Moore

Jonathan Sanders was surrounded by thousands of young farmers at an American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF) conference when he leaned over to fellow Alabamian Jerry Allen Newby and said: "I want to serve on the national Young Farmers & Ranchers (YF&R) Committee."

The bold seed planted in 2018 came to fruition this month when Jonathan and wife Sara were named to the committee during AFBF's YF&R Leadership Conference in Louisville.

"Our primary goal is to build a network of unified voices across the nation talking about the importance of agriculture to our generation," said Jonathan, 30, who grows peanuts, cotton, corn, cattle and timber in Coffee County's Roeton community. "Most other states don't have the level of involvement we have in Alabama. I want to use our experiences to help grow YF&R."

The Sanders family joins a slate of farmers ages 18-35 representing every region of the U.S. The committee, whose 16 positions are filled by individuals or couples, is responsible for program planning, including YF&R competitive events and the Harvest for All program, which tracks YF&R food donations.

The youngest of six children whose parents are Alabama Farmers Federation leaders, Jonathan's childhood was peppered with county and state Federation meetings. The Sanders' daughter, 2-year-old Ivey, is already a meeting regular; the couple is expecting another daughter, Elliott, due in late March.

Despite his experience attending AFBF and YF&R conferences, Jonathan said he's still learning how the committee practically helps county and state members.

"If my understanding isn't strong and I've attended conferences and meetings with national members, then I believe members' understanding at the grassroots level is weak," he said. "Strengthening communication between state committee leaders and national YF&R leaders is critical. When our state and national missions align, we are a better asset for members."

"My experiences taught me to listen to others, recognize strong leadership, gifts and talents in fellow farmers, and make decisions with others — not just for others," Jonathan said.

### News Brief

On Thursday, Feb. 24, at approximately 11 p.m., Coffee County deputies executed a search warrant on Hwy 84 on a vehicle driven by 24-year-old Paris Blake Edwards of Elba. According to officials, Edwards was taken into custody and charged with two counts of distribution of a controlled substance, one count of drug trafficking, one count of possession of a controlled substance, and one count of possession of drug paraphernalia. He was transported to the Coffee Co Jail without incident.

## Obituaries

Death notices updated regularly on our website at [www.elba-clipper.com](http://www.elba-clipper.com)

### JAMES ANDERSON KIMMEY

Mr. James Anderson "Andy" Kimmy, age 86, died Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2022.

Andy was born Oct. 28, 1935, and grew up in Elba, Ala.

After graduating from Elba High School, he attended the University of Alabama where he obtained a Bachelor's degree in petroleum engineering. When the family moved to the Tallahassee, Fla. area, they settled in Wakulla County on Live Oak Island. He was a Rotarian and a Paul Harris Fellow. Andy was a member of Crawfordville United Methodist Church.

A memorial service is planned for Saturday, March 12, 2022, at Crawfordville United Methodist Church, Crawfordville, Fla. Visitation is at 1 p.m. and the service is at 2 p.m. A private interment will be held at a later date.

Andy was preceded in death by his parents, Dr. and Mrs. John Mason Kimmy, and a brother, John Mason "Johnny" Kimmy Jr.

Survivors include his wife of 63 years: Dixie Dickett Kimmy; four children and their spouses: Jim and Bonnie Kimmy, Kim and Gary Kirk, Klar Kimmy and Richard Swan, and Kelen and David Shostak; grandchildren: Mason Kirk (Melissa), Chris Kirk (Tahnee), Connor Kirk (Tomoyo), Buddy Swan, Ascher Shostak, and Ari Shostak; plus seven great-grandchildren: Baker and June Kirk; Sawyer, Foster and Wilder Kirk, and Meisa and Rimi Kirk; a sister-in-law Emily Dickett Mathews and her family.

Mrs. Pyfrom, upon graduating high school, continued her education at Southeastern University in Lakeland, Fla., where she became an ordained minister.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Feb. 26, 2022, at Wooten Chapel Assembly of God with Rev. Mike Medley officiating. Burial followed in the Woodland Grove Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing. Those wishing to make memorials are asked to do so to Wooten Chapel Assembly of God, c/o P.O. Box 608, New Brockton, Alabama 36351.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Alzheimer's Project, Inc., 301 E. Sharpe St., Tallahassee, FL 32303 or [alzheimersproject.org](http://alzheimersproject.org).

**JOE GLEN LEE**  
Mr. Joe Glen Lee, age 59, a resident of Elba, Ala., died Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2022, at Flowers Hospital in Dothan, Ala.

Graveside services were held Friday, Feb. 25, 2022, at Evergreen Cemetery in Elba with Min. Steve Reneau officiating and Johnny Dyess providing the eulogy. Burial followed under the direction of

Survivors include her daughters: Becky (James) Brown, New Brockton, Ala., Margaret (Tony) Caterisano, Greenville, S.C., Gayle (Peter Van Dyck) Pyfrom, Philadelphia, Pa., and James Noah Ford.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Philip Elisha Pyfrom; two sons, John Elisha Pyfrom, and Paul Isaac Pyfrom; along with a grandson, James A. Brown; and her parents, Winnie Ann Ford, and James Noah Ford.

Survivors include her daughters: Becky (James)

Hayes Funeral Home. The family requests memorials be made to Whitetail Warrior Project, Inc., c/o PO Box 5098, Huntsville, AL 35814, a non-profit team that supports efforts to get wounded and disabled Veterans into the outdoors to enjoy hunting and connect with the community, or to Legacy of Hope, c/o Donate Life Alabama, 516 20th Street South, Birmingham, Alabama 35233.

Joe was preceded in death by a daughter, Tessa Rene Lee, along with his parents, Mary Alice and John Glen Lee.

Survivors include his daughter: Cordlin (Matthew) Bond, Birmingham, Ala.; sister: Judy Lee (John) Hughes, Montgomery, Ala.; nieces: Emily (Andy) Lawton, and Katherine (Joshua) Jackson, both of Atlanta, Ga.; and great niece: Eleanor Lawton, also of Atlanta; along with several aunts, uncles, cousins, and a host of friends.

**MARGARET RUTH PYFROM**  
Mrs. Margaret Ruth Pyfrom, age 91, a resident of Elba, Ala., died Monday, Feb. 21, 2022, at her home surrounded by family.

Mrs. Pyfrom, upon graduating high school, continued her education at Southeastern University in Lakeland, Fla., where she became an ordained minister.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Feb. 26, 2022, at Wooten Chapel Assembly of God with Rev. Mike Medley officiating. Burial followed in the Woodland Grove Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing. Those wishing to make memorials are asked to do so to Wooten Chapel Assembly of God, c/o P.O. Box 608, New Brockton, Alabama 36351.

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Dee Dee (David) Murray, Elba; sons: Philip Pyfrom and David Pyfrom, also of Elba; a sister: Esther Orr, Leesburg, Fla.; along with eight grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

### DEBRA RASLEVICH

Mrs. Debra Raslevich, age 67, of Ozark, Ala., died in a Dothan hospital. Arrangements will be announced upon completion by Hayes Funeral Home of Elba, Ala.

Graveside services will be held from Hebron Church Cemetery on Thursday, March 3, at 3 p.m., with Rev. Donnie Marler officiating. Hayes Funeral Home of Elba will direct the services.

Survivors include her husband: Jimmie Lavon White, Jack; daughters: Theresa (Darryl) King, Enterprise, Ala., and Angie (Roy) Stanford, New Brockton, Ala.; sons: Jerry (Kristy) Libritz, Hiram, Maine, Francis (Jill) Libritz, Rochester, NY, and Matthew Libritz, Nanjemoy, Md.; sisters: Jean Youngs, The Villages, Fla., Patricia Gruta, and Betty Gressel, both of Rome, NY; brothers: Howard Hartman Jr., Vancouver, Wash.,

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What is Lent? The Meaning and Purpose of the Lent Season  
Lent is a sacred period for Christians. It lasts for 40 days, beginning on Ash Wednesday and ending on Easter Sunday. Exactly how this time is used depends on the practices of each individual, but typically it is a time for things such as reflection, prayer, penance, giving, and fasting. Lent is a time to prepare one's heart and mind for Good Friday and Easter and to remind Christians of the sacrifice made by Jesus Christ.

The word Lent comes from the Old English word "lencten" meaning springtime and from the German word "langitanz" meaning lengthening. Lent is observed in the spring when days are starting to get longer.

Lent recognizes the 40 days following Jesus' baptism when he went into the desert without food or water and was tempted by Satan. By observing Lent, Christians remember Christ's sacrifice. Easter celebrates the resurrection of Christ following his death on the cross and Lent helps Christians remember the events leading up to his crucifixion.

Fasting is a very common practice during Lent. Fasting is seen as a reminder of Jesus' sacrifice. It can also be used as a time to connect more with God. But not everyone fasts in the same way. While some Christians may fast for the entire period, today most use this as a time to give up a particular vice as a form of sacrifice. Typically these are things like a favorite food or drink. And others may fast only on Ash Wednesday or Good Friday (the Friday before Easter).

Another common practice during this time is to give to others such as by donating goods to charity, giving money to those in need, or giving of one's time to a special cause.

Christians do not believe that this time of repentance and sacrifice is done to earn favor with God, as Christians believe that Jesus' sacrifice on the cross is the only thing that has the power to save. Instead Lent is seen as a time to improve one's relationship with God, accept his mercy, repent and grow as a believer. Spending time fasting and praying during Lent can make the Easter celebration more meaningful.

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# CHURCH & AREA NEWS

## PASTOR'S CORNER

by Jon Isaacs, Pastor  
Grace Fellowship Holiness Church

**"The Faith of the Feeble Folk"**  
Proverbs 30:26 "The conies are but a feeble folk, yet make they their houses in the rocks..."

Some translations use the word "rock badgers" instead of "conies" in this verse. I have also seen this animal called a rabbit, hyrax, or a marmot. The psalmist references them in Psalms 104:18: "The high hills are a refuge for the wild goats; and the rocks for the conies." Personally, I think coney fits when we consider the information given in these verses. It's hard to picture an animal called a coney with ferocious fangs, a gravelly growl, and terrible claws. No, the conies are a feeble folk. They don't have a fearsome reputation; they are known for their weakness...and their wisdom. Since they cannot fight off an attacker, or outrun a pursuer, or, in any other way apparently, defend themselves, they make their houses in the rocks. And it is for this practice that the writer of Proverbs 30 labels them "exceeding wise."

I can imagine the scene: A coney scurries about in the spring grass; enjoying the sunshine and the breeze; looking for a morning snack. Suddenly, the little creature freezes. Something has alerted it. Maybe a birds warning, or maybe just a feeling of uneasiness, but he knows a threat is nearby. Without another thought, he runs for the safety of his rock, his home, his place of refuge.

Think of David, the great king, the mighty warrior, the hero in the hearts of Israel. David was more like a lion than a coney. But this great fighter knew the wisdom of the conies...

"From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, when my heart is overwhelmed: lead me to the rock that is higher than I. For thou hast been a shelter for me, and a strong tower from the enemy." (Psalms 61:2-3)

"In thee, O LORD, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed: deliver me in thy righteousness. Bow down thine ear to me; deliver me speedily: be thou my strong rock, for an house of defence to save me. For thou art my rock and my fortress; therefore for thy name's sake lead me, and guide me." (Psalms 31:1-3)

"Truly my soul waiteth upon God: from him cometh my salvation. He only is my rock and my salvation; he is my defence; I shall not be greatly moved." (Psalms 62:1-2)

"But the LORD is my defence; and my God is the rock of my refuge." (Psalms 94:22)

My friend, faith in Christ is the surest rock in life. I have heard it said that faith is for the weak. I wouldn't disagree. We are all weak creatures, eventually. Faith in Christ gives us the wisdom to know that God made provision for our weakness. "As it is written, Behold, I lay in Sion a stumblingstone and rock of offence: and whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed." (Romans 9:33)

## Military Support Group Meetings:

Enterprise Military Support Group meets on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. Anyone who needs to talk about difficult experiences and needs an understanding friend is invited to attend.

Meetings are held at Church on Boll Weevil Circle located at 2017 Boll Weevil Circle, Enterprise, Ala. Call 334-894-6411 for more info.



**Dr. John Granger, director of missions for the Coffee County Baptist Association (CCBA),** spoke Monday morning, Feb. 28, during the Coffee County Commission meeting. Dr. Granger thanked commissioners for their continued support of the CCBA, and he invited them to participate in some upcoming events.

### CCBA to host evangelist Scott Dawson at Coffee County Farm Center in March

Coffee County Baptist Association's [CCBA] director of missions Dr. John Granger addressed Coffee County Commissioners during their bimonthly meeting Monday, Feb. 28, and he thanked them for use of the farm center for an upcoming event.

CCBA will host evangelist Scott Dawson for Evangelism Encounter at the evenings of

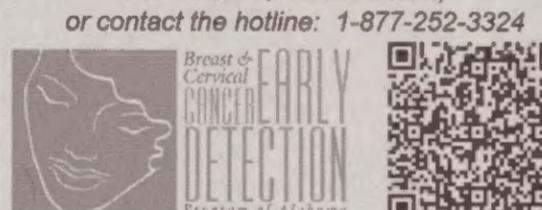
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Wednesday, March 16, and Thursday, March 17, at 6:30 p.m. at the Coffee County Farm Center. There also will be special music these nights.

Dr. Granger said he believes this is an event all Christians will want to attend. For more information, contact the Coffee County Baptist Association at (334) 894-6411.

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## Round and About

With Eria's Daughter

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**Scripture:** Thanksgiving for God's Righteous Judgement. [Psalm 75: 1-10]

**Thinking of You! Praying for You.**

Ruby H. Ellison, Dallas Luckett, Karyn Kelley, Hospital Patients, New Glorious Church Family, Harris Temple COGIC, Steven Knight, Anthony C. Kelley, Vernon Harris, Evelyn Manning

### March Birthdays

Stephanie W. Moorer 3/6  
Relly Rell 3/6  
Justin Flowers 3/7  
Amber Walker 3/7  
Rico Cooks 3/8  
Keyawna Gavin 3/9

### A Lifelong Search

When I was young, I recognized that some "old" people knew more than I did. When I brought my troubles to them they had words of counsel that calmed my spirit. I thought their answers were based on knowledge that I did not possess. Finally, I realized that what I was lacking was not knowledge but, rather, wisdom.

This conclusion created an opening for me to seek wisdom. At some point in my early 50s, I finally realized that I was becoming wise(r)! I saw how principles in God's Word could guide me in resolving issues.

Now, 30 years later, I'm still seeking wisdom. Younger people sometimes thank me for a wise response! God has given me wisdom just as I asked Him. Are you finding the wisdom and peace that come to single-minded searchers? — C.R.B.

**True or False**

**Q:** The taking of strange wives increased the transgression of Israel.

**A:** False [Ezra 10:10]

**Q:** The penalty for prophesying in the name of other gods was death.

**A:** True [Deuteronomy 18:20]

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### Thought to Remember

One good thing you can give and still keep is your word.

### Q/A for the Week of 3/10/22

**True or False**

**Q:** The spirit of the Antichrist is already in the world?

**A:** When Peter began to sink, he cried out for the Lord to save him?

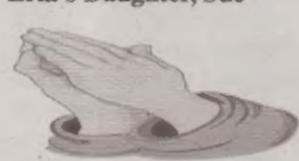
### Say Something Nice

Most funerals feature a eulogy. This compound Greek word could be translated "good words." It can be tricky to create a eulogy for certain people!

Take President Richard Nixon for example. His legacy is always associated with Watergate. What "good words" could be

Today is a good day! Be grateful.

Eria's Daughter, Sue



## Church Directory

### HOLY TEMPLE COGIC

Glenwood, AL  
John Jackson, Pastor  
Timothy Williams, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 9:30 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:15 p.m.  
p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH  
Steve Watson, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH  
Wesley D. Ard, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD - KINSTON  
Matthew Morris, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:15 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH  
Scott C. Johnson, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Bible Study . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 7:00 p.m.

ELBA BAPTIST CHURCH  
DANNY BRADSHAW, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:15 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH  
EDWARD E. Drake, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 10:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.

LIVING WORD CHURCH  
David Nobie, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

KINSTON 1st BAPTIST CHURCH  
Jonathan Jenkins, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

NEW JERUSALEM CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST - ENTERPRISE  
W. K. Ellison, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Tuesday Evening . . . 7:00 p.m.

NEW BROCKTON METHODIST CHURCH  
Dr. Craig Bailey, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:30 p.m.

NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH  
Terri Godwin, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

NEW EPHENZER BAPTIST CHURCH  
Randall Pearson, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

NEW GLORIOUS COGIC  
James Starks, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Stud. Meet . . . 6:00 p.m.

NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH  
John C. Jackson, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
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NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH  
Shirlee Ellis, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

NEW OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH  
Rev. Steve Reneau, Pastor

Morn. Worship . . . 8:45 a.m.  
Wed. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

HILL CLEAD BAPTIST CHURCH  
Olan Strickland, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.  
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ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
Steve Reneau, Pastor

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Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.  
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Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH  
Lowell Martin, Pastor

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Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.  
Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH  
Mark Cooper, Pastor

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IN RE: PETITION OF JOHN ANTHONY CHRISTIAN AND DANIELLE PATE DESCRIBED AS CHRISTIAN FOR THE ADOPTION OF A.J.L., A MINOR

NOTICE OF SUMMONS To: RICHARD WAYNE LEGER, JR.

NOTICE OF FILING OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION. IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF STEWART COUNTY, STATE OF GEORGIA, CIVIL ACTION NO. 21-CA-003, PETITION OF JOHN ANTHONY CHRISTIAN AND DANIELLE PATE FOR THE ADOPTION OF A.J.L., A MINOR CHILD. Notice is hereby given to Richard Wayne Leger Jr. that a petition has been filed by said petitioner in the Superior Court of Stewart County, Georgia, on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2021, praying for adoption of the above-named minor child. Said RICHARD WAYNE LEGER, Jr. and/or any interested party is requested to file an answer or objection to said adoption with the Clerk of Superior Court and to serve the same upon petitioners' attorney, Gary A. Abell, P.O. Box 2682, Columbus, GA 31902, on or before thirty (30) days receipt of this notice and show cause before the Court at 10:00 a.m. on April 11, 2022, why the court should not permit the adoption of the minor child. This the 8th day of February, 2022.

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## SPORTS NEWS

### Views From

### The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

*It was a short week at school for our grandson Lawson last week, but it wasn't short on excitement as he had to tell me all about his robotics team and how it was designing a vehicle that would be judged later in the school year. I listened to every word and tried to figure out just what he was talking about, but I am so glad that it is an extra-curricular class and not a subject in school, or this old granddaddy would be no help at all.*

#### For what it is worth....

\*\*\* *The Elba Tigers and Lady Tigers both picked up their first wins of the young season last week and both wins were well-deserved and much needed. The Tigers had watched a couple of chances to win slip away early in the season, but kept working hard at practice and logged a big win at home over Straughn in a game in which they rallied from a two-run deficit. Elba has a solid core of veterans and some talented youngsters on its team and is beginning to put all the pieces together as it develops into a winning squad. The Lady Tigers were a week late hitting the field, but got their season underway over the weekend at a softball tournament in Dothan and picked up their first win of the very young season with a victory over county rival Zion Chapel. The Lady Tigers are very young at almost every position and at the tournament pitched a ninth-grader and a seventh-grader against such teams as eventual tourney champ Houston Academy and defending 4 state champ North Jackson. If the Elba girls can stay healthy and improve every day at practice they may just be a team to keep an eye on before long.*

\*\*\* *The big news last week among area teams came over at New Brockton where Gamecock pitcher Drew Cashin tossed a no-hitter and struck out 20 batters in a 5-1 win over Elba. The talented Gamecock pitcher missed logging all 21 outs via the strikeout by just one, but did get an assist on the other out as he picked off a runner at second. It was definitely a headline grabbing outing for Drew Cashin and his Gamecocks!*

It was another busy week for area teams in baseball and softball as the season reached week two and tournaments began to dot the schedule all around the wiregrass. New Brockton ran its early-season winning streak to six games before falling to Walton, Florida, over the weekend, while Zion Chapel had an impressive win over Luverne to start the season. Over on the softball field, Kinston held its own in a narrow loss to 4A Slocumb and looked more like the Lady Bulldogs team we expect to see, while New Brockton suffered another puzzling lopsided loss, and Zion Chapel hit the field and picked up two wins at a tournament in Dothan. The seasons are close to being at full speed and that means lots of action for the players, coaches and fans.

\*\*\* *The Brantley Bulldogs will continue their quest for a state basketball championship this week at the 'State Finals' in Birmingham. The Bulldogs have been on fire in the last couple of weeks and the flame got even hotter last week when multi-sport standout Tucker Kilcrease came back from a football injury and scored 24 points in a region final win. Kilcrease, who sat out the regular season, hit on seven of nine three-pointers in the big win, and his return could be just what the Bulldogs will need if they are to hang up another state championship banner on the wall in the gym.*

\*\*\* *All the high school basketball news wasn't about Brantley last week, with a lot of attention taking place to what happened at a region tournament in Montgomery when the three officials on the court were removed from the floor in the middle of the game. The 'replacement' refs came on the court with less than four minutes left in the second quarter, and just why AHSAA officials made the move is still a mystery to even the refs that were pulled off the court. The original crew had reportedly called a total of 13 fouls in the first 12 minutes of the game, while the replacement crew whistled the teams for 37 fouls over the final two and one-half quarters. That does give everyone a clue of why the change was made, but the change was something this old refired ref had never heard of.*

\*\*\* *In closing.... The men in charge at the College Football Playoff committee announced last week that there would be no changes to the college football playoff system for at least four more years. Everyone except those in the Southeastern Conference were hoping for an expansion to 12 teams since the SEC has dominated the four-team event, and those same folks were blaming the SEC for using its muscle to prevent the expansion. Football folks around the country will never admit it, but the SEC is the premiere athletic conference in the nation and the NCAA needs the SEC much more than the SEC needs the NCAA. That's just a fact and the rest of the conferences around the nation need to accept it!*

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## SPORTS NEWS

### High School Baseball - Softball DIAMOND DUST

Statistics by GameChanger

**VARSITY BASEBALL:**

**Zion Chapel 9 Luverne 2** – The Zion Chapel Rebels used a 7-run second inning to take command and rolled to an impressive 9-2 win over the Luverne Tigers. Morgan Sanders had 2 hits, including a home run, scored 2 runs and collected 2 rbi's to lead the Rebels at the plate, while Dayne Bannin added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; Austin Jordan added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; and, Bryce Watson added 1 hit and scored 1 run. Paden Boothe was the winning pitcher as he tossed 3 and 2/3 innings and allowed two earned runs on four hits and two walks, while striking out seven Tiger batters. Austin Jordan pitched 3 and 1/3 innings and allowed one hit.

**New Brockton 12 Carroll 11** – The New Brockton Gamecocks scored five runs in their final at-bat to outscore the Carroll Eagles 12-11. Jaxon Whitworth had 2 hits and collected 4 rbi's to lead the Gamecocks at the plate, while Drew Cashin added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi; Brayson Carr added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 3 rbi's; Kaden Cupp added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; Payton Green added 2 hits and 1 rbi; and, Gabe Herrington added 2 hits. Payton Green was the winning pitcher, in relief, as he tossed two innings and allowed one earned run and four hits, while striking out four Eagle batters.

**Walton 9 New Brockton 6** – The New Brockton Gamecocks saw an early 5-2 lead evaporate in a 9-6 loss to the Walton Braves. Riley Simmons had 3 hits, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's to lead the Gamecocks at the plate, while Kaden Cupp added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi; and, Jaxon Whitworth added 1 hit and 2 rbi's. Five Gamecock pitchers combined to allow one earned run on five hits and seven walks.

**JUNIOR VARSITY BASEBALL:**

**Charles Henderson 17 Brantley 0** – The Brantley Bulldogs fell behind early and never recovered in a 19-0 loss to Charles Henderson as the Trojans combined 8 hits with 9 walks to run away with the win. Reese Odom and Cooper Layton both had 1 hit for the Bulldogs.

**Charles Henderson 11 Brantley 5** – The Brantley Bulldogs trailed only 5-4 after two innings, but couldn't keep up the scoring pace in an 11-5 loss to the Charles Henderson Trojans. Chaz Branum had 1 hit and scored 2 runs to lead the Bulldogs, while Cooper Layton added 1 hit and 3 rbi's; Reese Odom added 1 hit, and

**Elba and New Brockton battle to 5-5 deadlock in junior varsity baseball**

The Elba Tigers and New Brockton Gamecocks met last week in a junior varsity baseball game and after four innings of exciting action left the field with the scoreboard showing a 5-5 tie between the two county rivals.

New Brockton grabbed an early 1-0 lead in the bottom of the first inning when Bryant Crumpler reached on a dropped third strike and eventually came around to score on an rbi single by Jacob Fisher, and then upped its lead to 2-0 in the second when a two-out double by Crumpler knocked in Cayden Wallace.

Elba plated two runs in the top of the third to pull even at 2-2, with a two-out single by Easton McKelvey sparking the Tiger rally. A walk to Jay Wilson put two runners on base, and both came around to score on a combination of wild pitches and passed balls as the Tigers erased the New Brockton advantage.

**SPRING SPORTS SCHEDULES**

**Thursday, March 3**  
**(Baseball)**

Elba at Ariton (V) 5:00

Zion Chapel at New

Brockton (JV-V) 4:30

Kinston at Samson (JV) 4:30

**(Softball)**

Carroll at Elba (JV-V) 5:00

New Brockton at Northside

Methodist (JV-V) 5:00

Zion Chapel at Ariton (JV-V) 4:30

Geneva at Brantley (JV-V)

4:00

**Friday, March 4****(Baseball)**

New Brockton at Zion

Chapel (JV-V) 4:30

Kinston at Straughn (V) 4:30

Brantley at Greenville (V)

5:00

**Saturday, March 5****(Baseball)**

New Brockton at Headland (JV) 11:00  
**(Soccer)**

Elba at New Brockton at Andalusia (M-W) 11:00

**Monday, March 7****(Baseball)**

New Brockton at Geneva County (JV) 4:30

**(Softball)**

Kinston at Zion Chapel (V) 4:30

**(Baseball)**

Elba at Kinston (JV-V) 4:30

**Tuesday, March 8****(Baseball)**

Elba at Samson (JV-V) 4:30

**(Softball)**

New Brockton at Slocomb (JV-V) 4:30

**(Softball)**

Elba at Ariton (JV-V) 4:30

New Brockton at G.W. Long (JV-V) 4:30

Red Level at Brantley (JV-V) 4:00

**(Baseball)**

Opp at Brantley (JV-V)

### NB's Cashin strikes out 20 in 5-1 win over Elba

New Brockton's Drew Cashin shut down 20 batters last week to lead the Gamecocks to a 5-1 win over the Elba Tigers.

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**JUNIOR VARSITY SOFTBALL:**

**Ariton 17 New Brockton 3** – The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks kept it close early, only to lose touch late as the Ariton Lady Cats posted a 17-3 lead. Gabby Eubanks and Kirstyn Ramirez both had 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi to lead the Lady Gamecocks, while Jaeden Radcliffe added 1 hit and scored 1 run.

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## LIFESTYLES



**VOLLEYBALL CAMP**...Kinston kindergarten through sixth grade girls enjoyed two afternoons last week of a mini volleyball camp for 2022. Special varsity players helped conduct the camp along with coaches Tiffany Johnson and Suzanne Elmore.



**CLASS OF '66 REUNION**...Members of the Elba High School Class of 1966 gathered Saturday, Feb. 26, at the Elba Masonic Lodge for a reunion. Reportedly, everyone in attendance had a great time! Those pictured above include: (front, l t r) Judy Rhodes (Daniels), Margaret Wilson, Stan Marsh, David Blackmon, Rebecca Drummond (Bragg), Patsy Carter (Moore), Butch Ogg, Salome Wilson (Davis), Sylvia Padgett; (second row, l t r) Sara Strong (Warr), Page DeVane (Rowe), Ronnie Walden, Shirley Walden (Parker), Loretta Wilson (Ellenburg), Martha Daniels (Kendrick), Nancy Harris (Harrison), Rodger Dale Boothe; (third row, l to r) Harry Young, Bobby Edmondson, Randy Ross, Terry Calhoun, Jerome Kelley, Jimmy Jones, Lewey Stephens, Bruniese Parker (Smith); and (top row, l to r) Jackey Tindol, Marcus DuBose, Mack Holloway, Jerry Brown, Jerome Blackmon, Merrill Shirley, Eddie Thompson, and Neal Hutto.

### Miller, Stout named market presidents for TB&T

Jeff Kervin, President and CEO of Troy Bank & Trust, recently announced that Jerry Miller had been named market president of the Legacy Market, and Jeff Stout was named market president of the Wiregrass Market.

Originally from Elba, Ala., Miller graduated from Zion Chapel High School. He is an alumnus of Troy State University, having studied business administration. Additionally, he has taken numerous bank continuing education courses and is a certified instructor for the Alabama Banking Association. He has taught several bank-education courses for the association.

Miller has over 34 years of experience in the field of banking with large holding company banks and independent banks in the area. The Troy Bank & Trust Legacy Market includes locations in Pike, Dale and Elba and New Brockton in Coffee County. Miller has worked at TB&T for 6 1/2 years in the positions of senior vice-president, commercial lender and branch manager to three Pike County branches.

He is a past president of the Troy Exchange Club and current chairman of the J.O. "Tip" Colley Awards committee. Miller also has served on the board of directors for the Pike County Big Brothers/Big Sisters and the Family Guidance Center. He is a member of Collegedale Church of Christ and serves as an advisor to the Christian Student Center.

Miller has been the color analyst for the Troy Sports Radio Network, broadcasting football, basketball, and baseball for 29 years. He is also an inductee in the Troy University Baseball Hall of Fame.

Married to the former Jamie Jones of Troy, they



Jerry Miller

Jeff Stout

have two daughters and seven grandchildren, including a set of triplets and a set of twins.

Stout has over 37 years of banking experience, mostly in the Dothan market. Having graduated from the University of Delaware where he majored in management and finance, he received his MBA from Jacksonville State University. The Wiregrass Market includes banks in Dothan and in Enterprise.

A member of the Alabama Banking Association, he is also a member of the First United Methodist Church

of Dothan. Stout has held numerous executive officer and board positions with area civic and charity organizations including the Boy's & Girl's Club, Boy Scouts, and the Salvation Army.

Stout and his wife, Diane, have two children.

Both Miller and Stout have been tapped to provide strategic and operational leadership for commercial banking activities in both the Legacy Market and the Wiregrass Market. Both will continue managing their commercial banking relationships.

### Then & Now: Elba High School Class of 1966 Breakfast Club

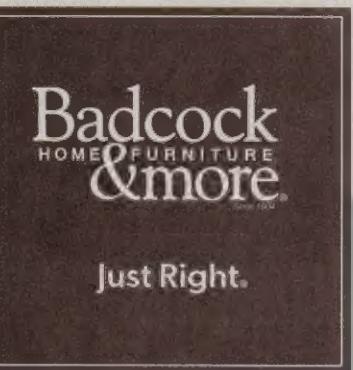
Several members of the Elba High School Class of 1966 meet monthly for breakfast at Juliette's Restaurant in Elba. They share a photo from the gathering each month with The Elba Clipper. Recently, the group asked to share photos of the attendees [then and now]. This week features...

Jerry Brown  
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